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RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/826,893

MESSAGE:

Dear Examiner O'Hara,

Attached please find an Official Communication, a copy of the stamped postcard receipt, a copy of a Submission of Terminal Disclaimer; and a copy of a Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection over a Prior Patent in connection with the above-identified application.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With continuing best personal regards.

Very truly yours,


Mercedes K. Meyer, Ph.D., Esq.

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Sir:

Further to today's telephone conference between myself and Examiner Eileen O'Hara, attached please find a copy of a Submission of Terminal Disclaimer, Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection over a Prior Patent (U.S. Patent No. 6,649,589), and the stamped postcard receipt indicating receipt by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 8, 2003. Examiner O'Hara indicated that a Terminal Disclaimer had been received for U.S. Patent No. 6,635,250, but not for U.S. Patent No. 6,649,589. Thus, we are resubmitting the Terminal Disclaimer for U.S. Patent No. 6,649,589.

In view of the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order. Such action is earnestly solicited.

In the event that there are any questions relating to this application, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

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In the event any further fees are due to maintain pendency of this application, the Examiner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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